

Torrance, Lomita Exchanges Add 1254 Telephones During 1950

During last year The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company added a total of 1254 telephones in areas served by the Torrance and Lomita exchanges, A. B. Smith, manager of the two offices, reported last week.

The Torrance Exchange now has 5647 telephones in service while the Lomita exchange placed in service in the two districts, Smith stated.

No figures covering the Frontier exchange nor the Menlo exchange were given.

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City Defense Plan Aired

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and other plans for the feeding, clothing, and sheltering of possible thousands, Mrs. Hyde said the organization still needed clerical volunteers, a volunteer list for disaster calls, and volunteers for canteen work should the need arise. In the event of a major disaster, the churches and club groups would have to assume a major role in feeding, she said.

WARDEN SYSTEM

Stevens outlined the plan for the warden system, saying that the city was being divided into wards of about 500 persons each. The first need here, Stevens said, is for personnel to staff the system in each of the city wards.

On the local air raid warning plan, the city manager said the telephone company was making preparations to re-establish the system of setting off plant whistles and other sounding devices automatically as was done during World War II. A. B. Smith, manager of the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, is head of the city's communications section.

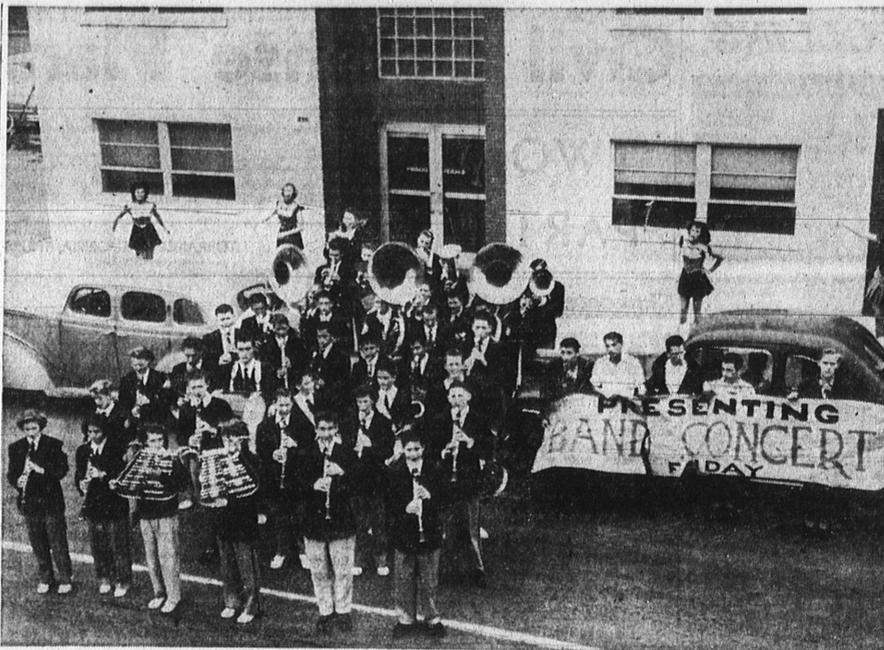
SHELTERS SURVEYED

City Engineer John Patrick reported that he had been surveying possible shelters which exist in the area and that his department would continue to catalogue the various available places now existing which could be used in the event of an attack in this area.

"Volunteers for this defense program are still very limited," Stevens said yesterday. He reminded that the fire department needs 125 men, the police department five, and that hundreds of first aid, clerical, and instructor personnel are needed immediately.

Veterinarian Attends Midwinter Conference

Dr. Rollin R. Smith, Torrance veterinarian, attended the midwinter conference of the California State Veterinary Medical Association on the Davis campus of the University of California.



STREET SONG . . . Members of the Torrance High School band present an informal curbside concert to (pardon the expression) drum up interest in a concert the band staged

at the high school last Friday night. Under the direction of Harold Dunn, the organization also traced the history of American jazz. (Herald photo).

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THEIR SERVICE NOTED . . . For their many hours of voluntary service to boys in the YMCA four Torrance supervisors were given leather jackets at a recent meeting of the city's four service clubs. Lending a helping hand is Roger Deas, principal speaker at the meeting. Pictured are (left to right) Deas, Walt Sharon, Dick Gresham, Hank Camou and Robert Sleeth. (Herald photo).

Joint Service Club Meet Salutes YMCA

Four local men were honored for their service to boys Thursday night at the semi-annual joint meeting of Torrance service clubs in the Woman's Clubhouse in observance of YMCA Week.

Roger Deas, a leader in Governor Warren's Youth Conference, was the principal speaker. He spoke on preserving democracy in America.

"Three things we must do if we are to keep America a true democracy," he pointed out.

"First, we must walk with dignity. Second, we must cooperatively work together, and third, we must dedicate ourselves to those things beyond ourselves," he said.

Presented with leather jackets for their many hours of volunteer service with the boys of the community were Walt Sharon, Hank Camou, Dick Gresham, and Bob Sleeth. Dr. Rollin Smith, a member of the Board of Managers of the local YMCA, made the presentation. He also complimented V. T. Vanderpool and Robert E. "Bud" Lee for their efforts to help the youth of the community.

John Steinbaugh, president of the hosting Rotary Club, introduced W. T. "Hap" Tillotson,

president of the YMCA Board of Managers, who acted as

toastmaster for the evening. Fay Parks, ardent supporter of the Annual Arts, Crafts, and Hobby Show, made an appeal to the service clubs to help make this year's show the biggest in the city's history.

L. Milton Isbell, executive secretary of the Torrance YMCA, showed the huge trophy won by Bill Johnson, 17-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Johnson, 23211 Huber street, as the Boy-of-the-Year in the greater Los Angeles Area. Bill is a member of the Torrance Branch of the YMCA.

Love Is Theme Of C. S. Topic

The mighty power of God to banish disease and sin will be considered in the Bible Lesson on "Love" in all Christian Science churches Sunday.

The golden text is from Zephaniah: "The Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; He will save, He will rejoice over thee with joy; He will rest in His love, He will joy over thee with singing." (3:17).

The lesson sermon includes the story of the healing by Jesus of the woman who, according to Luke's gospel, was "bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself." When the ruler of the synagogue objected to His healing on the Sabbath day, Jesus replied, "Doth not each one of you on the sabbath loose his ox or his ass from the stall, and lead him away to watering? And ought not this woman, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?" (13:11, 16)

A selection from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" Mary Baker Eddy declares: "The power of Christian Science and divine love is omnipotent. It is indeed adequate to unclasp the hold and to destroy disease, sin, and death" (p. 412).

Color, Design Film Slated

Showing of a free film and demonstration by a top specialist in color and design has been scheduled for Monday evening by the Torrance Evening High School.

Author of "How to Paint on China," Hazel Wiggins will use colored lantern slides to show how color and design can be used in everyday life.

Part of the china painting class of the Evening High School, the demonstration will be given in room 108 of the high school beginning at 7:30. The china painting class meets each Thursday evening at the high school.

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